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SENSIBLE AND SOBER CHRISTMAS ENJOYED IN BRYAN YESTERDAY

Giving Largely Confined to Members of Families and the Children ... Exercises in Churches and at College.

(By Associated Press)
Marfa, Tex., Dec. 26.—American troops are now guarding all outlets to Van Horn canyon, where one hundred bandits, who raided the post office and general store Christmas day at Britte ranch, 27 miles from here, have taken refuge. The bandits killed Michael Welch, the stage driver, and his two Mexican passengers, wounded Sam Neill, foreman of Britte ranch, and carried away loot estimated to be of the value of \$7,000.

PHILIPPINE SOLDIERS ARE GROWING FEWER

(By Associated Press)
Manila, Nov. 26.—(By Mail)—More than half the Americans formerly in the employ of the Philippine government have been retired since July, 1912. There are now a few more than 1,200 Americans in the service whereas, four years ago, just before the arrival of the new democratic administration, there were more than 2,600.

Meanwhile there has been a steady increase naturally in Filipino employees of the government, the list showing 1,000.

The law which permits Americans of long service with the government to retire with a three-year pension ranging from 66 per cent. of a year's salary to the full amount, is largely responsible for the number of American retirements which have increased very largely since the law was passed.

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BRITE RANCH BANDITS

CORNERED IN CANYON BY U. S. TROOPS

*Three Persons Killed,
One Man Wounded
and Loot Valued at
\$7,000 Secured in a
Christmas Day Raid.*

CATTLE POISONING WARNING SENT OUT BY SOUTHERN PACIFIC

*Conditions Produced
That Resemble Foot
and Mouth Disease
and Hog Cholera by
the Use of Chemicals.*

President W. B. Scott of the Southern Pacific lines has sent to all agents of the company the following circular letter warning against damage to cattle. It bears date of December 21:

"Information has reached us to the effect that a certain organization which is in opposition to the purposes of this country and the best interests of its people in the prosecution of the war against the enemy nations has planned this winter to use concentrated lye and roach powder for killing or injuring cattle and hogs in yards and the feed pens.

"It is said that lye on rock salt causes mouth sores, ulcers in the stomach and also rots the feet of the stock, producing a condition similar to that of 'foot and mouth disease.'

"It is suggested also that the organization in question proposes to use muriatic and nitric acid in food fed to hogs, causing ulceration of the stomach and death under conditions closely resembling hog cholera.

"Agents and others receiving this circular will please notify all cattle men, shippers, feeders, breeders and farmers in order that they may take necessary precautions to guard their stock against these possible attempts, and to exercise proper diligence in preventing unauthorized persons from having access to stock at any time.

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BOSHESLVIKI, IRISH AGITATORS AND I.

W. W. SAME ILK

'LESS' DAYS POPULAR.

(By Associated Press)
Dallas, Dec. 26.—The "less" days are becoming popular in Dallas. The Dallas hotel and restaurant men's association for conservation has added porkless Saturdays to the almost seven "less" days. No pork and little or no fats derived from pork will be sold on this day by the restaurant men. This includes bacon, ham and sausage. The action on the part of the local restaurant dealers followed a recent conference between State Food Administrator Peden and R. A. Parker, business manager of the local restaurant association at Houston.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Evidence has been uncovered by government agents indicating that American Industrial Workers of the World, Russian bolsheviki, Irish agitators and revolutionists in various countries at war with Germany, may be seeking to lay the foundation of an elaborate worldwide plan to overthrow existing social orders.

This was admitted Tuesday by officials here in connection with news of the discovery of arms and ammunition on the Russian freighter Shikla, which has just arrived at a Pacific port manned by a mutinous bolsheviki crew. The Shikla incident is only one of many cases leading officials to believe the connection between plotters in several of the allied countries may be more tangible than the indefinite link of moral sympathy.

Certain Irish agitators and Industrial Workers of the World leaders originally have gone from the United States to Russia after being in close touch with each other here, and reports have been received that bolsheviki organizers would come to America before long to spread their doctrine of direct action for communal organization. No objection will be raised by the government to any agitation which does not interfere with the progress of the war, officials declare.

One Soldier Dead Another May Die

Houston, Dec. 26.—Corporal John Long of company H, 57th infantry, is dead and Private Houghton of the same company is in a serious condition at Camp Logan base hospital as the result of pistol wounds received about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning at Goose Creek.

The soldiers were members of a military police detachment who are doing guard duty at Goose Creek and were shot as they stood in front of a barber shop, conducted by A. S. Hall, at Mid-dleton.

Hall was arrested shortly afterward by Deputy Constable Hunnicut and brought to Houston and placed in the municipal jail about 4 o'clock Tuesday morning. A charge of assault to murder was filed against him in Justice J. M. Ray's court, which was changed to one of murder following the death of Corporal Long.

LOS ANGELES ACTS.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 27.—Contempt for Germany was evidenced in action of the school board of this city by abolishing the study of the German language in the public schools.

Cy Koontz was down today from his home at Zack.

CALL FOR THOUSAND BRICKLAYERS ISSUED

They Are to Be Assembled at Camp Kelly for Pershing.

(By Associated Press)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—Provost Marshal General Crozier made public today instructions to all governors calling for the mobilization of one thousand bricklayers needed by General Pershing at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas. The bricklayers will be assembled without regard to men in any other occupation.

RED CROSS PRISONERS.

(By Associated Press)
Dallas, Dec. 26.—Everybody a member of the Red Cross! Dallas citizens have responded very liberally to the call for "fall in" including two women who are quartered in the county jail on murder charges. Other prisoners also have taken out membership.

WOMEN CAMOUFLAGE THE BIG BRITISH GUNS

(By Associated Press)

Behind British Lines in France, Dec. 1.—(By Mail)—Many thousand French women and girls, ranging in age from fourteen to well past sixty, are employed by the British army at various kinds of work behind the lines. One line at which they excel all other workers is the painting of camouflage on guns. They also make very good packers at the various army stores, houses and ordnance dumps, their deft active fingers making it possible for them to do this work with fifty per cent. more efficiency and speed than any other class of worker.

In many of the clerical sections of the ordnance department they work side by side with the uniformed English girls belonging to the "Waacs," as the members of Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, are called and in these departments a numerical system of marking has been adopted in order to facilitate sorting, as most of the French girls have no knowledge of English.

More than 1,000 French women are engaged in the "Receipts and Salvage Department," where their work includes the repairing of respirators and other equipment, the scrubbing and renewal of harness and leather materials in an oil bath, and the sorting of recovered cartridges and water bottles.

In the boot and shoe repairing department at one base 1,500 French women are employed in bootmaking and repairing. In the armorers' shops French girls clean, oil and test bayonets. In the wheelwrights' shops they clean and straighten bolts and paint wagons and traveling kitchens.

In work at piece rates, the output of the French girls has been found to exceed that of German prisoners by more than 50 per cent.

TO PAINT WAR SCENES.

(By Associated Press)
London, Dec. 1.—(By Mail)—Fifty artists have been engaged to paint pictures of battlefields, roads to France, ruined towns and various other war scenes for the Canadian War Memorial Fund. The paintings are to be exhibited in London for a short time before being sent to Canada, where a building will be erected in which they will remain as a permanent tribute to Canadian war heroes.

The artists engaged include Major Augustus John, D. Y. Cameron, George Clausen, William Orpen, Julius Olsson, Charles Shannon, Frank Brangwyn, Wyndham Lewis, H. W. Nevins, J. W. Morrice, and dozens of Canadian painters and Ettore Tito, the famous Italian painter.

The women chosen are Mrs. Swinton, Laura Knight, Anna Airy and Claire Atwood. They will do training camp scenes, munition workers and Red Cross depots.

FUEL ECONOMY IN TEXAS.

(By Associated Press)
Austin, Dec. 26.—In co-operation with the United States Fuel administration, the Texas railroad commission has taken up the question of fuel economy with the street car and interurban railways of Texas. The commission has appealed to the electric railway companies to exercise the greatest economy in the use of fuel during the war. It is suggested by the commission that where possible without crippling the service to reduce schedules and the unnecessary heating of cars.

Where plants are old and inefficient, it is recommended that they be abandoned and used only as relay stations of other public utilities operating in the same localities.

DALLAS MILK PRICES.

(By Associated Press)
Dallas, Dec. 26.—At the request of State Food Administrator Peden the local representatives of the food association has investigated the high price of milk in Dallas. One Dallas dairy recently increased the price of milk to 20 cents a quart. High price of feed-stuffs was given as the reason for the increase.

Data gathered as a result of the investigation has been forwarded to Administrator Peden at Houston. He is expected to make a report soon.

GERMAN CANNONADE SILENCED BY FRENCH IN ENERGETIC REPLY

Patrols Entered the German Trenches and Brought Back Prisoners, Says Today's Statement.

(By Associated Press)
Paris, Dec. 26.—On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) an energetic reply of our batteries put an end to the vigorous bombardment of our line in the region of Onvaux, says today's statement. In the region of St. Quentin and upper Alsace patrols penetrated the German trenches and brought back prisoners.

NOTHING TO REPORT.

(By Associated Press)
There was nothing of special interest to report on the British front in France yesterday, says today's statement.

CONSCRIPT GERMAN WOMEN AFTER WAR

(By Associated Press)

Copenhagen, Dec. 1.—(By Mail)—Plans for general conscription of women after the war are being made in Germany, and there is a general feeling that girls, as well as boys, will be compelled to undergo a regular period of training corresponding to the German youth's service in the army. The service proposed for girls is not military, but civil. It is proposed that all women shall, preferably at the age of 17, be taken from their homes and compulsorily "trained," either in a profession, a trade, or in household duties.

The characteristic German division between rich and poor is maintained in the project. Girls of the upper classes will go to special training institutions; poor girls will go to the factories or be placed in private households, where their employers will give a trifle of pocket money and make a contribution to the state.

The idea meets with wide commendation in the German newspapers, but one English critic notes that there is some difference between male conscription which puts a man into a regiment run by the state, and a female conscription which makes a girl work without wage for the profit of private individuals. The latter cannot with accuracy be called anything but slavery.

A short time ago a Berlin sociological society offered a series of prizes for the best essay on compulsory service for women, and 145 essays were submitted. The best two have just been published. The magazine, Sozial-Praxis, in reviewing the essays submitted, says:

"There is general agreement that by a thorough compulsory training, the services of women to the country will become much greater than heretofore. Opinions differ as to whether after leaving school girls should be trained principally for a profession or for household duties. The lesson of the war, which has brought into clear relief the abilities of women in both spheres, is perhaps that in future a middle course should be adopted.

"The training in households is to be regularly supervised with a view to seeing whether the girl really learns something there and is not merely made a drudge, and she must be allowed time to attend the women's service school. The employers are to give a small sum as pocket money to the conscripts' and pay the state a levy for the services rendered. This revenue is to provide the means for creating more women's service homes."

BELGIAN DONATIONS RECEIVED.

The following letter has been received by the chairman of the Bryan ladies from the Belgian minister at Washington, E. de Cartier, under date of December 19:

"I have just received the check for \$70,800 which you have been so kind to forward to me for the Belgian babies, together with your letter of December 15th. Please convey my sincerest thanks to the ladies who have contributed to this donation and believe me, dear madam, with kindest regards and best wishes of the season, yours very sincerely."

PARK MAY BE CAPTAIN.

Lieut. Oscar B. Park, who has been spending the holidays with his parents, left yesterday for a visit to friends in Houston, before joining his command in San Antonio, where he is on waiting-orders for overseas service.

Lieutenant Park was in charge of a company at Presidio, just across the river from Ojinaga, Mexico, during the recent attack by Villa and has received favorable mention from the war department for his actions during that time.

He has been recommended by his colonel for promotion to captain, and the necessary papers have been sent to Washington. The many friends of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Park, will rejoice with them at the success of this deserving young man and watch his future career with interest.

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President to Take Over All Railroads

SECRETARY M'ADOO TO CONTROL TRANSPORTATION

Washington, Dec. 27.—President Wilson announced Wednesday night that he will assume possession and operation of every railroad in the continental United States at noon Friday, December 28, and that he had appointed Secretary McAdoo director general of railroads.

Secretary McAdoo, whose appointment is made by formal proclamation, is expected to direct the unification and operation of the roads through their present management. He will retain his place in the cabinet as secretary of the treasury.

In a statement accompanying the proclamation, the president announced that when congress re-assembled he would ask that definite guarantees be given that the railroad properties will be maintained in as good repair and as complete equipment as when taken over and that the net operating income in each case shall equal the average net operating income for the three years preceding June 30, 1917.

The railroads will be taken over under authority already granted by congress through the secretary of war.

The president's statement follows: "I have exercised the powers over the transportation systems of the country which were granted me by the act of congress of last August, because it would be imperative for the government to do what is necessary for me to do. This is a war of resources no less than of men, and it is necessary for the complete mobilization of our resources that the transportation systems of the country should be organized and employed under a single authority and a simplified method of co-ordination which have not proved possible under private management and control. The committee of railway executives who have been co-operating with the government in this all-important matter have done the utmost that it was possible for them to do; have done it with patriotic zeal and with great ability; but there were difficulties that they could neither escape nor neutralize. Complete unity of administration in the present circumstances involves upon occasion and at many points a serious dislocation of earning and the committee was, of course, without power or authority to rearrange charges or effect proper compensations and adjustments of earnings. Several roads which were willingly and with admirable public spirit accepting the orders of the committee have already suffered from these circumstances and should not be allowed to suffer further. In mere fairness to them full authority of the government must be substituted. The government itself will thereby gain an immense increase of efficiency in the conduct of the war."

"The secretaries of war and I are agreed that, all the circumstances being taken into consideration, the best results can be obtained under the immediate executive direction of the Hon. William G. McAdoo, whose practical experiences peculiarly fit him for the service and whose authority as secretary of the treasury will enable him to co-ordinate as no other man could the many financial interests which will be involved, and which might, unless systematically directed, suffer very embarrassing entanglements.

"The government of the United States is the only great government now engaged in the war which has not already assumed control of this sort. It was thought to be in the spirit of American institutions to attempt to do everything that was necessary through private management, and if zeal and ability and patriotic motive could have accomplished the necessary unification of administration it would certainly have been accomplished; but no zeal or ability could overcome insuperable obstacles, and I have deemed it my duty to recognize that fact in all candor, now that it is demonstrated to use without reserve the great authority reposed in me. A great national necessity dictated the action, and I was therefore not at liberty to abstain from it.

WOODROW WILSON."

BOSHESLVIKI POWER IS WANING BECAUSE OF WEAK AUTHORITY

Growing Scarcity of Food and Increase in Laziness and Drunkenness the Alleged Causes.

(By Associated Press)
London, Dec. 26.—Reports from Petrograd indicate an increased waning of bolsheviki influence and that desertions from the workmen and soldiers' organizations are growing constantly. Among the alleged causes are a general lack of authority, an increase in drunkenness, reluctance of the population to work and the scarcity of foodstuffs. The main desire of the soldiers is said to be for peace.

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EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT OF THE BRYAN WEEKLY EAGLE

The Railway Engineer

M. C. MUNLIN, Co. D, 21st Engineers, Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.

He was working just as peaceful as he used to work at home—That's anywhere you care to name from Galveston to Nome. He was oiling up an engine, or was toying with a spade, When the Teutons took a notion they'd like to start a raid.

Well, the worker saw them coming—like the spawn spilled out of hell—And he cocked his Yankee eye at them and said "Oh, very well, If my job is interrupted I'll find something else to do," And he shook his hairy Yankee fist at all the Teuton crew.

Then he hailed a wounded Tommy and he said, "See here, old son, I would thank you mighty kindly if you'd let me have your gun, For those chaps have stopped my working and I feel chock full of spite, So I guess I'll dig a shelter hole and settle down to fight."

He hadn't soldier training and he didn't need command, But he knew the proper place was "front" and there he took his stand, Like a soldier of the soldiers, like a peer among among his peers, For the credit and the honor of the Yankee engineers.

And he may be dead or living, but wherever he is found He will sure be facing forward and holding hard his ground; And he holds his proper station in the hearts of those at home—That's everywhere that you can name from Galveston to Nome!

Going Through the Farce

When one considers that the leaders of the boshelviki in Petrograd, the ones negotiating with Germany for peace, are in fact Germans themselves, the whole thing looks, to an honest man, worse than a farce. It is fact, seemingly, nothing short of a crooked deal to sell out the Russian people to Germany, and probably the Cossacks and others of Asiatic Russia, as well as many in European Russia, understand this thing as it really is. Going back a few years it is only necessary to recall the "Willie-Nicky" telegrams between the kaiser and the czar, the thinly-veiled German influence in Russia in the early days of the war when Russia was supposed to be an ally of Great Britain and France but was honey-combed with German agents, even in exalted positions, and the later German efforts to induce Russian soldiers to fraternize across the lines. Russia, even in the days of Kerensky, was never free of the German influence, and never will be free until there is a thorough internal house cleaning, such as the Cossacks seem desirous of giving. Russia is more in the hands of the Germans now, probably, than it was

days of the czar, even admitting for consideration the fact that his wife is a German princess of the Hohenzollern house. If one doubts the extent of the present German influence, it might be somewhat convincing to read the real names of those in charge of affairs in Petrograd.

Under the sarcastic heading, "Russian Patriots," the Wolna Polska (Free Poland), a newspaper published in New York, has an article on the German names born by the men now in control of the boshelviki. The following is a translation:

"It is probably known that the counter revolution in Russia, which helped in the downfall of Kerensky, was inspired by Germany, still, not many understand how many Germans took part in it. Not only that the leader of this movement received money from the German government, but, in fact, he is a Prussian agent. It is known that not only he, but the majority of his comrades, are German Jews. A Petrograd correspondent who investigated the past of every member of the present Russian government (boshelviki) was convinced that the Russian names of those men were pseudonyms only. For example, the real name of the premier is not Lenin, but Zederblum. Trotsky, the foreign secretary, who not long ago was a reporter of a certain Jewish Journal edited in New York, is nothing else but Braunstein. The ex-secretary of agriculture, Tshernow's name is Feldman. The notorious Parvus, who was the mediator between Lenin and the Prussian government, is Helbarb. His confidant, who calls himself Gansek, possesses the real name of Finsterberg. The other Lenin comrades who took part in this counter revolution calling themselves Zinovieff, Kameneff, Gorenf, Matzkorsky, Martow, Cukanoff and Zagorsky, are nobody else but Appelbaum, Zederbaum, Rosenfeld, Goldman, Goldberg, Hinmer and Krach man.

"It is sufficient to examine their names to discover the German ruse. The counter revolution which was consummated fully by the Russian nation, desiring liberty, presents itself as a ruse organized in Prussian state. The Prussians have always used such means for centuries in order to conquer nations which they detested. The best proof is Poland. There, when they were unable to win the war in an honorable way, they used the ruse, employing intrigue and murder as well, in order to obtain their object.

"The present war gives us enough similar examples of the detestable ways used by Germans. With the aid of treason and fooling they try to conquer the whole world. Only a fool could believe in the smallest promises from Berlin, until the Hohenzollerns' reign, supported by treason and brutal force, shall be totally crushed."

With a bunch of Germans running the Prussian government and negotiating with the German government for peace, the situation amounts to trading with one's self by taking a jack knife from one pocket and transferring it to another while four bits goes in the opposite direction. Should the negotiations fail it will be by reason of internal conditions in Russia, whereby the boshelviki will have been rendered unable to deliver the goods. Naturally during the peace conference a bluff at resistance to the Germans must be made, and the Germans are clever enough to send their best statesmen to the conference, lest the farce of the whole thing be made two plain. They must go through the motions of see-sawing and quibbling over details, but it may be taken as a fact that terms of peace will be concluded unless internal Russia rises en masse, throws out the whole German horde and take charge of affairs. This seems likely to happen, sooner or later, but the sooner the better for the allies unless the United States is up and ready for the fray. The German purpose, of course, is to use the armies on the Russian front for augmenting those on the western, therewith to crush Great Britain, France and Italy before the United States can get on the ground in force.

Colonel Roosevelt has come out flatfooted for national prohibition and General Pershing, while admitting light wines and beers to the army in France, has decreed severe punishment for the men who permit themselves to become drunken. Two United States army officers have been fined and dishonored for abuse of alcohol. Men strong enough to fight are to be taught that they must have strength of will power to resist temptation as well. And if anybody on earth ought to be able to exert will power it is a good, strong, healthy, well fed and well clothed American soldier.

Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, in a letter to the Aero Club of America advocates dropping bombs from airplanes on the German warships bottled up in Kiel harbor. Perhaps a more effective method is that suggested by the accident that destroyed a large portion of Halifax, coupled with the daring exploit of Captain Hobson at the Harbor of Santiago in 1898. By employing camouflage and deceit, it seems that it should be possible to send into Kiel harbor a vessel loaded with explosives which could be blown up as was the Mont Blanc at Halifax. Certainly the destruction would be as great.

Says the esteemed humorist of the Galveston News: "Of course, Santa Claus' sleigh may not be a modern aircraft, but we hope he will make a 'nose drive' when he sees our stocking." If afflicted with a cold in the head Santa might risk it.

While the Kaiser has been busy talking peace and negotiating with the German officials in control of Russian affairs for peace, little fighting has been going on. The Kaiser appears to be quite human and cannot run two campaigns at the same time.

The ways and means committee of the house will now sit for five days to determine how to raise money for paying the Christmas bills.

THE PRESS AND DEMOCRACY.

When it was known that the last issue of Liberty loan bonds had been oversubscribed J. W. Hoopes, deputy governor of the federal reserve bank at Dallas, addressed to the newspapers of Texas a letter in which he acknowledged the debt of the country to the country's press for the able assistance rendered by the newspapers in that bond-selling campaign.

Recently Dr. Robert Ernest Vinson of the University of Texas gave expression of debt of the university and the cause of education in Texas to the newspapers in the following language:

One of the most difficult features of the democratic form of government is the necessity of convincing and moving men in the mass. All democratic institutions and all advancements of common interests are so dependent upon the public that their success or their failure may be frequently charged as much to this fact as to their inherent qualities. No more practical method of reaching and influencing public opinion for good can be found than that which is afforded by the public press.

The State of Texas has recently had occasion to appreciate to the full the power upon an intelligent community of a public press which is conducted in the interest of all the people and their best advancement.

I am persuaded that if it had not been for the almost unanimous support which was given by the newspapers of Texas to the university, the institution would have been overwhelmed by the wave of opposition which had arisen against it. It stands triumphant today, both because its past record has been worthy, and because public-spirited newspapers of the state have been its champions.

Those of us who have not failed to appreciate the cordial support which the press has given us, and are grateful, too, that the State of Texas has been given facts with reference to its university, and that an atmosphere has been created in which the institution can grow to those proportions of which our fathers dreamed.

These are not the only acknowledgment that has come to the newspapers because of their devotion to country and to state. In fact no thinking man will fail to admit that this democracy of ours every movement for the general good would fail but for the publicity freely given in the newspapers.—Houston Post.

SQUIRREL AND 'POSSUM CROP.

Sherman reports the squirrel market in that city as being good, gentlemen with steady eyes and ready aim having found game plentiful in the bottom have undertaken to assist Mr. Hoover in his campaign of meat conservation. However, we haven't heard or read the market quotations on o'possums. Perhaps Colonel Tom Perkins of McKinney might supply the information.—Denison Herald.

Squirrels and o'possums are at home in East Texas, where they can get things to eat and hollow trees and hollow logs to sleep in. In Smith county we have enough squirrels, o'possums and cotton-tail rabbits to feed an army for a year.—Tyler Tribune.

DEATH OF HOMER T. MIMS.

Homer T. Mims, of Steep Hollow, whose death was briefly mentioned in the Eagle a few days ago, died at Camp Travis, Tuesday afternoon, December 18, 1917, at 2:15 o'clock, after an illness of only a few days. He went to the colors with the second contingent of troops sent out from Brazos county and was stationed at Camp Travis, where with the others, he was in training for the battle fronts of Europe.

He was a son of M. Mims, was 26 years, 3 weeks and 16 days of age and was born and reared in the Steep Hollow community. No better young man was ever raised in the county. He was honorable, upright, sober and industrious and made a friend of all with whom he came in contact. His untimely death is mourned by the people of the entire community.

He made a good soldier. Was courteous and obedient to his superior officers, was congenial with his fellow-soldiers and the high esteem in which he was held by both officers and men, is attested by the following letter to his father and family from Corporal Fred Buchanan, a neighbor boy who went to the army with him:

Camp Travis, Dec. 21, 1917.

Mr. M. Mims and Family: I take this method of extending to you my sincere sympathy in your bereavement. I know you feel your loss very keenly and all I could say will not heal the anguish of your hearts.

Homer died in the defense of his country as truly as if he had been in the trenches. His country recognized him as a hero when it draped his casket with the flag he served. The stars of the flag were not greater in number than will be in his crown. The stripes of white represented the purity of his life. The red—the service he gave to those at home and in whose defense he gave his life.

He was loyal to his friends and loved ones, he was loyal to his home and his state, he was loyal to his government and nation, and proved himself worthy the country in which the Providence of God had privileged him to live with the hope of no reward, save the consciousness of duty done, and to die without fear of condemnation. Yours truly, A. P. Buchanan.

He is survived by his aged father, two brothers, Pinkey and Luther Mims, and one sister, Miss Laura Mims. The bereaved ones have the profound sympathy of all in their great sorrow.

The remains were brought home and laid to rest in Steep Hollow cemetery Thursday afternoon in the presence of a large number of friends and neighbors. Rev. J. G. Leutwyler conducted the funeral services and the following gentlemen, boyhood friends of the young man, served as pall bearers: Robert Jones, Esker Martin, Berry Risinger, Charles Hartsfield and Jesse Cook of the university ambulance corps, Allentown, Pa.

CHRISTMAS KILLING AT CLAY PLANTATION

From Wednesday's Daily Eagle. A negro was killed on the S. S. Clay place in the Brazos bottom, below Wellborn, yesterday, and Richard Loftin phoned Sheriff Nunn of the fact and surrendered. Sheriff Nunn went down met Loftin at Millican and brought him to Bryan. The examining trial will be held later in the week. The Daily Eagle was unable to learn the cause of the homicide, but Mr. Clay had employed young Loftin as one of the managers on his plantation for the coming year and it is supposed the trouble came up over some question of authority.

Millican Soldier Boy Lost a Hand

From Wednesday's Daily Eagle. Louis Marquet, a young soldier of Millican, who was at home from Camp Travis for the holidays, sustained a most serious accident Tuesday night resulting in the loss of his hand. He was firing Christmas salutes with a shot gun and in some way fell down, the gun going off and tearing his hand to pieces. He was brought to the Bryan hospital on the noon train yesterday and his hand was amputated during the afternoon. A report from the hospital this morning stated that he was doing nicely.

Locals and Personals

From Saturday's Daily Eagle. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hathorn, of Harvey, left yesterday to visit their old home at Collin, Miss.

Mrs. C. A. Robinson and Miss Ruby Robinson, of Wellborn, were visitors in Bryan Friday.

Mrs. S. C. Johnson, and son, S. C. Jr., of Marlin, arrived yesterday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kern.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Birch and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mattox motored over from Zurich Friday on a shopping trip.

Henry Todd of Harvey, who is serving his country in the navy of the United States, is at home on furlough, for the holidays.

Rev. C. C. Wheeler of North Zurich was the guest of friends in Bryan today.

Henry Sheppard was in the city today from Kurten.

Carl Jones of Reliance was in the city today.

J. C. Mathis was in the city today from Reliance.

O. L. and Victor Andrews of Harvey were visitors to the city today.

W. D. Stallings was in the city today from Alexander.

A. W. Dyess and J. D. Goen were among the Harvey visitors to the city today.

C. M. Risinger was in the city today from Holligan Chapel.

Tom Closs was down today from Edges.

D. B. Lloyd of Reliance was in town today.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Seale and daughter, Miss Pauline, of Benchley were visitors in the city this afternoon.

Prof. J. M. Moore of the Harris school house was in the city today.

J. M. Royder was up today from Wellborn.

Wiley Coulson was over today from Iola.

Mrs. Katherine Jones of Reliance returned to Oklahoma today after a visit home.

Mrs. Cora Lindsey of Crosby is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morgan at Reliance.

SENATOR NEWLANDS DEAD.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Senator Francis Griffith Newlands of Nevada, died of heart disease at his home here Monday night, after an illness of a few hours. He was stricken while at work in his office at the senate office building but was unable to go home and the capitol knew nothing of his illness until the announcement of his death.

He made a good soldier. Was courteous and obedient to his superior officers, was congenial with his fellow-soldiers and the high esteem in which he was held by both officers and men, is attested by the following letter to his father and family from Corporal Fred Buchanan, a neighbor boy who went to the army with him:

Camp Travis, Dec. 21, 1917.

Mr. M. Mims and Family: I take this method of extending to you my sincere sympathy in your bereavement. I know you feel your loss very keenly and all I could say will not heal the anguish of your hearts.

Homer died in the defense of his country as truly as if he had been in the trenches. His country recognized him as a hero when it draped his casket with the flag he served. The stars of the flag were not greater in number than will be in his crown. The stripes of white represented the purity of his life. The red—the service he gave to those at home and in whose defense he gave his life.

He was loyal to his friends and loved ones, he was loyal to his home and his state, he was loyal to his government and nation, and proved himself worthy the country in which the Providence of God had privileged him to live with the hope of no reward, save the consciousness of duty done, and to die without fear of condemnation. Yours truly, A. P. Buchanan.

He is survived by his aged father, two brothers, Pinkey and Luther Mims, and one sister, Miss Laura Mims. The bereaved ones have the profound sympathy of all in their great sorrow.

The remains were brought home and laid to rest in Steep Hollow cemetery Thursday afternoon in the presence of a large number of friends and neighbors. Rev. J. G. Leutwyler conducted the funeral services and the following gentlemen, boyhood friends of the young man, served as pall bearers: Robert Jones, Esker Martin, Berry Risinger, Charles Hartsfield and Jesse Cook of the university ambulance corps, Allentown, Pa.

SIGNAL CORPS DOWN TO HARD WORK NOW

Lieutenant M. C. Funston with 125 men of the reserve signal corps, company K, are now comfortably located at the A. and M. college, where the men are undergoing an intensive training to prepare themselves for the work of the signal corps. The course which the college is giving to these men includes class room and laboratory instructions in elementary electrical engineering, telegraphy, telephony and radio work, besides practice in the telegraph code. In addition to this work given by the college, the military officers give instructions in signal corps drill and in the use of the various methods of communication employed by the signal corps.

It is an uncommon sight to see groups of men out after dark signaling across the campus with the night signaling devices. Some of the men have established communication with Bryan, five miles away, by means of light signals. Signaling with smoke bombs, rockets, etc., will be taken up soon, and this will be followed by radio work.

The men are very enthusiastic in their work, and Prof. Bolton, under whose supervision the instruction is being given, speaks very highly of the class work which the students are doing. In addition to the work being given to the signal corps company, there are a number of young men enrolled in the new courses which the A. and M. is offering for men who wish to prepare for service in the signal corps of the army or who wish to qualify as radio operators for the navy.

At the request of the government authorities the college has inaugurated two courses, one of which is similar to that being given the men sent to the college by the government, and the other a modified course intended to give a working knowledge of telegraphy and radio work in a shorter time. Through the co-operation of the military authorities the students who are taking the courses are allowed to train with the enlisted members of the signal corps, thus gaining a knowledge of the use of signal corps instruments and equipment which can only be obtained by practice.

When these students attain the proper degree of proficiency they will be given certificates attesting to this fact and in the case of men of draft age their names will be reported to the authorities at Washington, so that they can be used where their service will be most needed. There is such a scarcity of qualified operators that several young men have become interested in preparing themselves for more effective service when they enter the military organization.

Another point in favor of the course is that it provides a training which can be used as a means of livelihood after the war, as the men will be well qualified as telegraph operators.

Love is Growing for the Naval Life

U. S. Naval Station, Great Lakes, Ill., Dec. 15.—Well, I have just eaten and finished washing dishes.

I like it up here better and better and think I will get a good job in a few days. We are still together up here and everybody is writing tonight.

This surely is a beautiful place and they have everything fixed so nice and clean, and it has got to stay that way. The hardest thing I have to do is to get up at 5 o'clock and take a hot and then a cold bath. When that cold water hits me in the morning I have to holler.

When I landed here there were six inches of snow on the ground, and we had to stay up

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MECHANICAL FORCES FOR AMERICAN AIRMEN

(By Associated Press)
With the American Army in France, Dec. 24.—When the American air fighters begin arriving in France they will find corps of several thousand air mechanics trained on this side of the Atlantic, waiting to assemble and care for their machines. Arrangements have been made for training a large number of mechanics in England this winter.

PERMIT FARMER BOYS TO HELP WITH CROPS

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary of War Baker has a plan to permit farmer boys in the country to return to their homes at periodical intervals to assist in crop production. He outlined it today to a delegation of New York farmers who protested against conditions created by the scarcity of labor.

BILLS BEING DRAWN FOR CONCENTRATION TEXAS STATE OFFICES

(By Associated Press)
Austin, Dec. 21.—Bills are being prepared by the legislative investigating committee recommending to the legislature the merging of the department of warehouses into the bureau of markets of the department of agriculture. The merging of the state board of water engineers into the state delegation department, also, will be recommended, it is said.

The passage of these measures would mean the elimination of the board of water engineers and also the abolishment of the department of markets and warehouses.

A measure is also being written which if enacted into law, will prevent the overlapping between the extension department of the A. and M. college and the department of agriculture, as both now practically cover the same territory with lecturers and literature and bulletins to farmers.

Killed Wrong Man at Houston Carnival

Houston, Dec. 26.—A. E. Tenny, a concession man with the Evans-Platt carnival shows, was shot and instantly killed about dark Monday evening on the carnival grounds at Spring, J. H. Sullivan, who has been with the show about two weeks, was brought to Houston Tuesday morning and is charged with murder in a complaint filed with Justice of the Peace Leon Lusk.

In a statement made Tuesday to Assistant District Attorney Lawrence Williamson and Investigator Hugo Zwerenmann, Sullivan admitted the shooting, but said it was another man he was after. As soon as Sullivan saw he had shot and killed what he termed the wrong man, he said, "Oh, my God," and started to run down the International and Great Northern track. He said he wandered around all night.

LOST HIS ENGINE

Had Bright's Disease—Took "Hobo"
Got His Engine Back
Again.

Railroad companies are strict about the physical condition of their locomotive engineers. An engineer has hundreds of lives in his custody every time he takes out a trainload of passengers. So when Engineer E. S. Hardy, of Marshall, Texas, got sick and was examined by the chief surgeon of the Texas Pacific hospital he was made to quit work when the doctor found he had a very bad case of Bright's disease. Hardy then went to Denver, Colo., to a specialist—who found the blood pressure 225 and urine full of albumin. Doctor told him he would never be able to work any more. Hardy then returned home and some friend suggested that he take the celebrated Hobo Kidney and Bladder Remedy. He took thirteen bottles, was again examined by chief surgeon, who said his blood pressure was normal and no albumin. Got his engine back and heartily recommends "Hobo" to all afflicted with kidney trouble. Try "Hobo." Your druggist can supply you \$1 per bottle. Or write to Hobo Medicine Manufacturing Co., Singer, La., for descriptive booklet and sworn testimonial. M. H. James, Bryan, Tex.—Adv.

Tanlac is sold in Bryan by N. A. Stewart, in Wellborn by J. P. Royer, in Edge by Moore & Payne, in Allen, farm by Terrell Brothers and in Taylor by J. K. Presnal.—Adv.

INVENTOR OF LEWIS MACHINE GUN SAYS WAS PERSECUTED

(By Associated Press)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—Col. Isaac Lewis, inventor of the Lewis machine gun, told the senate investigation committee today the "whole story" of his efforts to get the war department to adopt the invention. He said he wanted to help the government, but "I've been persecuted by the government."

The government's reluctance to adopt the Lewis gun was described at length by E. B. Borie, manufacturing head of the Savage Arms company, the American makers, testifying at the senate military affairs committee investigation today on the shortage in army supplies. Borie criticised the ordnance bureaus' business system, saying, "We ought to have a director of munitions, a big, broad-minded man, a man who is not a pusseyfoot, and until you do that you will not get anywhere."

STEFANSSON SHOWS UP WITH HIS PARTY

Was Last Heard From
in a Letter in March,
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(By Associated Press)

Ottawa, Canada, Dec. 26.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the arctic explorer, was last heard from in a letter received in March, 1916, has arrived with his party at Fort Yukon, according to word received by the naval department.

Pacifist Bishop of Utah Has Resigned

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 25.—The Right Rev. Paul Jones has resigned as bishop of Utah. His resignation was sent December 20 to the presiding bishop of the Episcopal church at St. Louis, effective January 1, it became known here Sunday. Bishop Jones' resignation follows the action of the commission of bishops which met at St. Louis December 12, and found that Bishop Jones "by his attitude and utterances, as a pacifist, has so impaired among the loyal people of Utah his usefulness as a bishop that he ought to withdraw from their midst and advice is given him to resign."

Bishop Geo. Kinisolving, when in Bryan last week, was en route home from St. Louis, where he had sat as a member of the court which tried Bishop Jones. It was decreed that while the Utah bishop has violated none of the laws of the church, it was recommended that he resign the bishopric. His offense consisted of alleged disloyalty in that he preached against the war as organized murder, and aligned himself actively with the I. W. W. He is a pronounced socialist.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Charles Lednick of Summerville was accidentally shot in the hand on Monday and was brought to the Bryan hospital yesterday for treatment. After an examination it was seen an operation was necessary and the injured hand was amputated. He was resting easy this afternoon.

DELAY WITH WARRANTS.

(By Associated Press)
Austin, Dec. 26.—Because of a change in the law regulating the issuing of warrants by the comptroller's department, the force of the warrant division is now swamped with work and considerable delay is being experienced by persons to whom the state owes money. Under the old system, one warrant was issued to a state institution covering the entire payroll, while now each individual in such institution receives a separate warrant. This is said also to apply to accounts under the old plan the average number of warrants issued annually by the department was 3,600, Comptroller H. B. Terrell says, while it is estimated that 120,000 will be issued for this year.

1800 RED CROSS MEMBERS.

Chairman Fountain of the local Red Cross membership campaign committee, and Secretary Eberstadt of the business club were busy this morning compiling the list of members secured during the Christmas drive. He had not counted the names but estimated that they would run close to 1800.

Reports to national headquarters in Washington indicate that over 13,000,000 members have been secured.

Many Texas towns ran over their quota, that of Galveston particularly being 225 per cent.

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AMERICAN NEGROES HAPPY IN FRANCE

(Bulletin of National War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A.'s of the United States.)

Though they bewail the lack of chickens in the backyards of the French—and on their menu—the members of a regiment of American negro stevedores in France have danced and sung their way into the hearts of the French population in the port where they are stationed. Warm-heartedly they are already planning a show for the benefit of a fund for the French wounded.

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Telling of their work and plan and thoughts Howard Kahn, in an article sent to the national war work council of the Y. M. C. A., speaks of them as the "War's Minstrel Show." In spite of their strange surroundings, he says, they carry on their work as usual. They shuffle the same dances, and sing the same plantation melodies as at home.

They have no use for the Senegalese—"French niggers" as called—because they wear monkey caps, have rings in their ears and "don't talk sense." The native wit and constant good humor of these stevedores have made them a joy and delight to the officers and men who come in contact with them. Moreover, they are living up to the best traditions of the American negro.

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"You don't like the ocean, then?"

"Not me, boss. I se plane from mah trip yet. I se been an American all mah life. But unless this yere Atlantic ocean freezes ovah and somebody builds railroad back to Tennessee, I se a European to life."

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MARGIN OF LOSS AT SEA IS NARROWING SAYS LLOYD GEORGE

(By Associated Press)

London, Dec. 20.—Speaking in the house of commons today, David Lloyd George, British premier, said that the margin of loss at sea was narrowing. Sinkings by submarines are decreasing, he declared, while shipbuilding is increasing.

Seventeen British ships were sunk during the week just past.

The premier said that the sinking of submarines was increasing. Although merchant tonnage was down to twenty per cent, the loss in imports had been only six per cent over that of last year.

Regarding the military situation the premier said it was idle to pretend that the hopes formed had been realized. This disappointment he attributed to the Russian collapse. Complete restoration of the territories taken by the enemy, together with compensation was demanded by the premier in explaining the government war aims.

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JUDGE DOREMUS DIED AT BRYAN HOSPITAL AT 8 THIS MORNING

From Thursday's Daily Eagle
Judge John Whitfield Doremus,
whose desperate illness was reported
in the Daily Eagle of yesterday, died
this morning at 8 o'clock, at the Bryan
hospital, where he had been taken
for better treatment.

He was found unconscious in his office Wednesday morning, suffering from poison supposed to have been chloroform taken in medicine to relieve acute indigestion, and, while he recovered consciousness at least partially, it was recognized that his condition was very serious. His death followed twenty-four hours after the discovery of his condition.

Judge Doremus had been a resident of Bryan nearly all the period of his mature manhood, and was about 65 years of age at the time of his death. He has followed the profession of the law and has held a high position in the estimation of the bar of the whole state of Texas. He was representative of practically all of the large corporations and individual interests centering in Bryan, and had been for a great many years. While not a public official, in fact, he in effect held the position of city attorney at the time of his death, and had held that office under previous administrations. His professional handiwork is enrolled upon the charter and ordinances of the city, from early days, and he has been an outstanding figure in this city's development, not only as a lawyer and public official, but as a citizen. In private practice many of the biggest cases, perhaps a large majority of them, which have come before the courts of this county and district, have shown him as attorney of record on one side or the other. He was regarded as strong, earnest, upright and honest counselor and a diligent worker and able pleader in the court room. Possessing a strong mind and a marvelous memory, he was able to so arrange the details of a case in his mind that all these facts could be called up almost without reference to the papers, and as has been demonstrated in many cases he was able to direct his assistants to the page number of books and papers without reference to notes.

Judge Doremus was married in Bryan to Miss Ozelia Pugh, a member of a distinguished Mississippi family, of whom there were several brothers of Mrs. Doremus, all of whom were in the medical profession. One of these is a resident of Hearne at this time. To Judge and Mrs. Doremus were born three sons and a daughter, all of whom with Mrs. Doremus survive and are grown and out in life for themselves. These are J. W. Doremus, Jr., Joe Doremus and Ras T. Doremus, all of Houston, and Mrs. W. A. Leigh, of Bryan. Judge Doremus' home, prior to his life in Texas, was in Arkansas, where he went last summer for a vacation, and where he has relatives.

Accidents in Texas 14,513 in Three Months

Austin, Dec. 20.—Accidents numbering 14,513 were reported to the state industrial accident board during the first three months of the present fiscal year, embracing the months of September, October and November, according to a statement just issued by the board. Of this number, 49 were fatal.

During the three months 1,687 claims were filed with the board by insured employees under the employers' liability act. Insurance companies writing workmen's compensation insurance paid claims amounting to \$142,228.91, exclusive of \$48,528 paid by these companies for doctors' bills, hospital fees, etc. The total expenditures by the insurance companies was \$190,035.59.

HOMER MIMS BURIED.

From Friday's Daily Eagle

The funeral of Homer T. Mims, the young soldier who died at Camp Travis Tuesday, was held at Steep Hollow cemetery yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large number of people, many going out from Bryan. The services were conducted by Rev. J. G. Leutwyler and the following gentlemen served as pall bearers: Robert Jones, Esker Martin, Berry Risinger, Charles Hartfield, and Jesse Cook of the University ambulance corps, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys worms if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by E. J. Jenkins.

TUCKER HOME BURNED.

The home of G. D. Tucker on West Twenty-sixth street was burned this afternoon, the loss of house and contents being complete. Insurance on the house was \$3,500 and on the furniture \$400, as far as the Eagle could ascertain late today. Tom Higgs and family had only recently moved into the house with Mr. Tucker. They also lost everything.

BIRTHS.

Born, December 16, 1917; to Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Elliott, Edge; a boy, George.

Born, December 16, 1917; to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Shirley, Reliance; a boy, Lewis Jr.

Born, December 16, 1917; to V. Romero and wife, Bryan; a boy.

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ROAD BONDS CARRIED IN MILLCAN DISTRICT

From Friday's Daily Eagle
The good roads bond election in the Millican district for the issuance of \$70,000 good roads bonds, was held Thursday and carried by a splendid majority, in fact it was almost unanimous. The returns, as phone to the Eagle at 8 o'clock last night by Secretary Eberstadt of the commercial club, showed 64 votes in favor of the bonds and only 7 against.

This election means that the stretch of bad road beginning a few miles below Wellborn and continuing to the Grimes county line at the Navasota river, is to be improved and put in a class with the other good roads of the county. This road has long been an eye-sore and little short of an actual disgrace to the county. It has brought reproach upon us from our neighbors, from the hundreds of tourists passing it, and from the press in many sections of the state. Now it is to be fixed and Brazos county is to be absolved from the bad name that has long been laid against her because of it.

It means much for Bryan. It means the Exall highway, the Meridian highway and every other kind of a highway passing from north to south Texas. It means thousands of tourists, both north and south, the year round, to say nothing of the enlargement of Bryan's trade territory.

The road, as the Eagle understands it, will connect with the present gravelled road at its terminus a short distance south of Wellborn and continue for 13 miles, finishing up with a mile and a half of first-class concrete road next to the Navasota river where our roads cross the bridge and merge with the good roads of Grimes county.

Things are coming our way. Bryan and Brazos county are being lifted out of the mud and those cities and counties that expect to keep up with us will have to go some.

STEEP HOLLOW.

Steep Hollow, Dec. 25.—Misses Pansy Hall and Ima Cook from the college of industrial arts at Denton, are here to spend the holidays.

Roy Morehead, who is traveling in the interest of Tyler commercial college, has arrived for a few days' visit to home-folks.

A good game of basketball was played Friday afternoon by Harvey and Steep Hollow boys on the Steep Hollow grounds. The result being 13 to 10 in favor of Harvey.

Miss Velma Hensarling who is teaching school at Piedmont, Grimes county, is here for a visit to her relatives.

Sergeant Will Cook and Corporal Fred Buchanan from Camp Travis are here on a few days' furlough.

Quite a surprise was sprung on their friends, by Miss Annie Lou Lindsey and Mr. Henry Parker, when they drove into Bryan and were quietly married by Dr. M. E. Weaver. This scribe joins their friends in wishing them much happiness and success through life.

Prof. H. H. Richardson left Friday night for Jasper, Texas, for a two weeks' visit to relatives and friends.

Leslie and Webb Buchanan from Pampa, Texas, are here on a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan.

The community club meeting Saturday night was well attended. A number of the older people were present, and a great deal of interest was manifested. A splendid program was rendered, after which H. L. McKnight of Bryan addressed the audience along the line of "what we should do to help win this war." Mr. English of the purchasing committee, reported a car of corn on the road and quoted prices on a number of other feeds. The next regular meeting night will be Saturday, January 5, 1918.

The Red Cross drive, under the able leadership of Mrs. Buchanan, has made rapid headway. There is scarcely a home in the community not a member of the Red Cross.

RELIANCE

Reliance, Dec. 25.—Christmas time has come again. Most everyone seems to be enjoying themselves. When one goes into the dining room and sees all the good eats it makes them forget the great war that confronts us.

Mrs. L. L. Lindsey and little daughter, Inez, of Crosby, Texas; Mrs. Mary Thibodeaux of Fort Worth are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morgan.

Miss Ida Lloyd of Huntsville, Texas, came in to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lloyd.

Samuel A. Byars of 133rd artillery, battery B, Camp Bowie and Miss Cora Lloyd of Sour Lake, Texas, are visiting their uncle, J. C. Lloyd.

Frank Crenshaw has pneumonia at this writing. His many friends hope for him a speedy recovery.

Charles H. Tabor of Houston came out Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cloud and children of Crosby, Texas, are visiting Mrs. Cloud's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith.

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OFFICERS.
From Friday's Daily Eagle

At the regular Tuesday-night meeting of Brazos lodge, Knights of Pythias, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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ADVISORY BOARD OF ATTORNEYS IS BUSY WITH QUESTIONNAIRES

The city was thronged with people today because of the gladsome Christmas season, and while the spirit of Christmas cheer filled the very atmosphere, still it must not be presumed that all was joy. In the throngs of Christmas shoppers there were many sober, serious faces, recalling that the country is at war. Many of our young men who had received from the local exemption board their questionnaires, were here and with them their fathers, mothers, their younger brothers and sisters, and in some instances, their young wives. For them the joy of Christmas was only secondary, and their minds and hearts were filled with more serious thoughts—thoughts of the training camps, the call of the bugle, the tramp of the soldiers, of long separation from home and loved ones. Their business in the city was not to search for Santa Claus, nor to look for toys for the children that would bring pleasure for a day, but like Little Boy Blue, the toys and Little tin soldiers were left to be covered with the dust of time, and the thoughts of real soldiers going away to fight in foreign lands for home and country filled their minds.

They were here on business with the exemption board and the advisory board composed of a number of the leading attorneys of the city. These lawyers have patriotically volunteered their services to assist the young men summoned in filling out their questionnaires, and they, too, were heedless of Christmas and its thousands of calls to pleasure and were hard at work. Chairman Bethel has quarters in the Commerce building adjoining the offices of the exemption board, and when the Eagle reporter called on him this morning, found him surrounded by a score or more of people and working as hard as he could. He said all the other attorneys on the board were just as busy as he, and working in their offices trying to catch up with the work that had been delayed from several different causes. He further stated that there would be fully twenty days' hard work, if not more, but there would be no let up until the task was completed. It was a patriotic work, a work that carried with it the spirit of that scripture which says, "he that would be greatest among you, let him be the servant of all."

There are 1800 registrants to be served with questionnaires and the board is mailing them out at the rate of 100 a day. They must be filled out and returned within seven days of mailing, not date of receipt, and from this can be seen the huge volume of work ahead of the local board and the advisory board attorneys. Every questionnaire, whether filled out by the man who receives it or someone else for him, must be submitted to some member of the advisory board and be approved by him.

Contract for Statue
of Ross at College

Austin, Dec. 20.—Captain L. S. Snider, of the Salvation Army, who was found dead in his new home here last Friday, was none other than the noted reformed Oklahoma outlaw, Lee Star, one of the last surviving members of the famous Lee band of robbers. This information is now known to be authentic. Following the breaking up of the band of Henry Lee being sentenced to 25 years in prison here, it is said Lee Star became converted at Topeka. He went from Kansas to Texas and engaged in Salvation Army work. It is said that once while living in Corsicana, Texas, he shot one man, killed another, in a fight, but was acquitted of the charge. He was in army work at Shawnee, Okla., before coming here two months ago. He was well liked by Endi people for his good nature and enthusiasm for his work among the poor.

While army is to be of red Texas granite, on which will stand a life-size figure of Sul Ross in bronze, the total height of the monument being eight feet.

On the monument will appear the following inscription: "Lawrence Sullivan Ross, 1838-1898; Soldier, Statesman and Knightly Gentleman, Brigadier General C. S. A.; Governor of Texas; President A. and M. College.

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TRYING TO BLOW UP MANSION.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 24.—William Hood and G. E. Voeter were arrested by the police here with a soap box containing twenty sticks of dynamite in their possession. They were held as suspects in connection with the dynamiting of the governor's mansion Monday night.

The arrests were followed by a raid on I. W. W. headquarters, where Hood, according to the police, had been living. Twenty-seven men were arrested later.

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DEATHS.

Born, December 16, 1917; to Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Elliott, Edge; a boy, George.

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